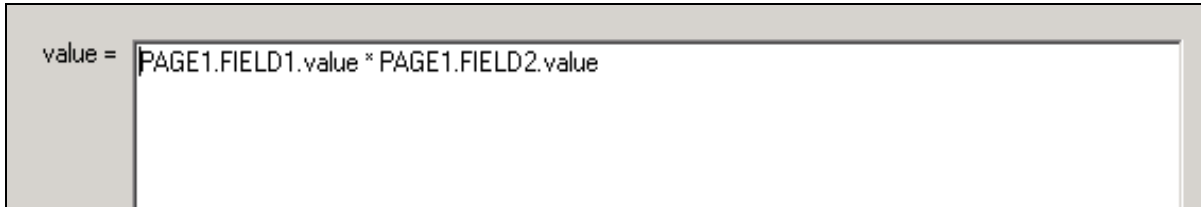


## Making a Formula Appear Blank until Calculated

You will need to edit the formula manually in the center of the Formula dialog box. Basically you are adding logic to say that as long as one of the fields in the formula is blank (has not been entered) then the result of the formula should appear blank.

1. Double-click the field that contains the formula, and then click the **Edit Formula** button under *Field Contents*.

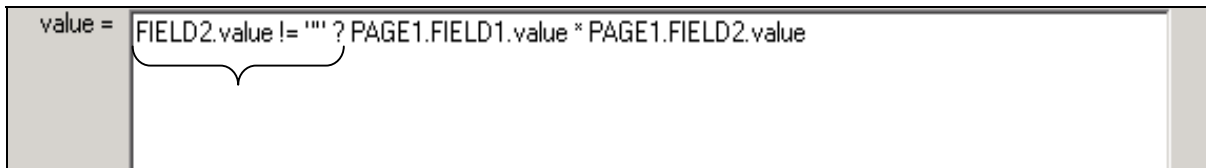


A screenshot of a formula editor window. On the left, there is a label 'value ='. To its right is a text input field containing the formula 'PAGE1.FIELD1.value \* PAGE1.FIELD2.value'.

2. In front of the original formula, type `FIELD2.value != "" ?`.

Make sure to match the case in the example. Use open and close quotation marks (not apostrophes). Type a space after the question mark.

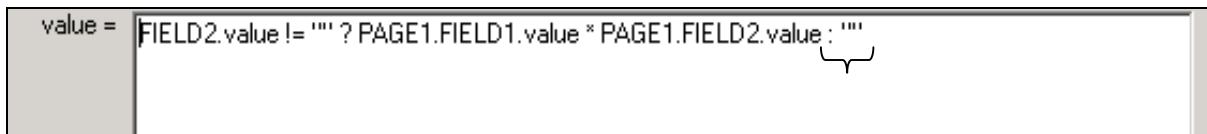
You can make reference to either of the fields from the original formula.



A screenshot of the same formula editor window. The text input field now contains 'FIELD2.value != "" ? PAGE1.FIELD1.value \* PAGE1.FIELD2.value'. A purple bracket is drawn under the first part of the formula, 'FIELD2.value != "" ?'.

3. At the end of the original formula, type `: ""`.

Make sure that you type a space before the colon.



A screenshot of the formula editor window. The text input field now contains 'FIELD2.value != "" ? PAGE1.FIELD1.value \* PAGE1.FIELD2.value : ""'. A purple bracket is drawn under the final part of the formula, ': ""'.

4. Click **OK** twice.